Army Contracting Agency Base Realignment and Closure (BRAC) Concept Plan - November 2005

1. References.

- a. BRAC Report, Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission Final Report to the President, September 8, 2005.
- b. BRAC Report, Department of Defense Report to the Defense Base Closure and Realignment Commission, May 2005.
 - c. Spreadsheet, BRAC Action by E-Date, ACSIM, November 2, 2005.

Background.

- a. BRAC is a congressionally authorized process used by the Department of Defense (DoD) to reorganize its base structure to more efficiently and effectively support its forces, increase operational readiness, and facilitate new ways of doing business. Following two and half years of studying and compiling recommendations for BRAC 2005, the DoD released its report to the BRAC Commission on May 13, 2005. DoD's BRAC recommendations addressed almost every Defense mission area and affected most of the Department's major U.S. installations. Overall, these recommendations support force transformations; address new threats, strategies, and force protection concerns; consolidate business-oriented support functions; promote joint- and multi-service basing; and provide significant savings. According to the Secretary of Defense, DoD's BRAC recommendations are expected to reduce excess military infrastructure between 5 and 11 percent and save \$48.8 billion over 20 years.
- b. The BRAC Commission's statutory responsibilities include ensuring the integrity of the base closure and realignment process and providing an objective, non-partisan, and independent review and analysis of the list of military installation recommendations. In conducting this review, the BRAC Commission approved 86 percent of DoD's original recommendations and delivered its final report to the President on September 8, 2005. The president concurred and sent the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure Commission's report to Congress on September 15, 2005, for legislative review. Following a 45 day review period, Congress approved the report as submitted on November 9, 2005.
- 3. Purpose. The purpose of this plan is to describe the Army Contracting Agency's (ACA) preliminary concept of operation and planning considerations to implement BRAC directives. We are in the very early stages of BRAC transition and the process will continue to evolve over the upcoming months. However, these initial planning efforts will set the foundation for the organization to build upon, as necessary.

Additionally, this report highlights key facts and assumptions affecting this concept of operation and identifies the current status of ongoing BRAC related actions.

4. Facts.

- a. The Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission Final Report to the President, Volume I, Chapter 1, Department of the Army Recommendation #3 (Fort McPherson, Georgia) directs the Army Contracting Agency Southern Region Headquarters to relocate to Fort Sam Houston, TX where it is recommended to consolidate with the ACA Southern Hemisphere Regional Headquarters.
- b. The Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission Final Report to the President, Volume I, Chapter 1, Department of the Army Recommendation #8 (Fort Monroe, VA) directs the Army Contracting Agency Northern Region Headquarters to relocate to Fort Eustis, VA.
- c. The Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission Final Report to the President, Volume I, Chapter 1, Joint Cross-Service Groups: Headquarters and Support Activities Recommendation #148 (Relocate Army Headquarters and Field Operating Agencies) directs the Army Contracting Agency Headquarters to relocate to Fort Sam Houston, TX and collocate with the Army Contracting Agency Southern Region.
- d. The Defense Base Realignment and Closure Commission Final Report to the President, Volume I, Chapter 1, Joint Cross-Service Groups: Headquarters and Support Activities Recommendation #148 (Relocate Army Headquarters and Field Operating Agencies) directs the Army Contracting Agency's E-Commerce Region Headquarters to relocate to Fort Sam Houston, TX and collocate with the Army Contracting Agency Southern Region. Note: There is an ongoing action to determine the accurate definition of "E-Commerce Region Headquarters." ACA interprets the language as referring to a seven position section within ITEC4. However, the Office of the General Counsel concluded that supporting Cost of Base Realignment Actions (COBRA) data appears to indicate the language refers to the entire Alexandria, VA based ITEC4 organization. This October 21, 2005 legal opinion further stipulates that if there are compelling circumstances and data to justify a relocation of only a portion of the ITEC4 function to Ft. Sam Houston and the remaining function to Ft. Belvoir, the Army as a matter of policy retains the authority to do so. At this time ACA is pursuing approval of an AR 5-10 Stationing Request/Discretionary Move Plan to move the majority of the ITEC4 function to Ft. Belvoir, VA.

- e. The Southern Region Contracting Center East (SRCC-E), located on Fort McPherson, was not specifically identified in any BRAC directive. Two AR 5-10 Stationing Requests/Discretionary Move Plans were submitted to the Army G3 on 7 October 2005 recommending the organization be split and relocated to Fort Sam Houston, TX and Fort Bragg, NC to best support its two distinct customer groups.
- f. The U.S. Army Contracting Command Southwest Asia (USACC-SWA), located on Fort McPherson, was not specifically identified in any BRAC directive. However, USACC-SWA's sole customer, 3rd U.S. Army, is directed by BRAC Recommendation #148 to relocate to Shaw Air Force Base, SC. An AR 5-10 Stationing Request/Discretionary Move Plan was submitted to the Army G3 on October 7, 2005, recommending the USACC-SWA be relocated to Shaw Air Force Base to be collocated with the 3rd U.S. Army.

5. Assumptions.

- a. The implementation of BRAC directives will occur independently of ongoing Agency reorganization initiatives. However, all transformational events, actions and initiatives will be synchronized and coordinated to ensure the least possible disruption to operations and the workforce.
- b. AR 5-10 Stationing Requests/Discretionary Move Plans will be approved as submitted.
- c. BRAC movement timelines will be in accordance with ACSIM published guidance. However, sufficient flexibility will be allowed to conduct phased movement thereby allowing continuity of contracting operations.
- d. BRAC funding will be distributed based on ACSIM projected movement timelines.
- e. The Army Reserve Contracting Center (ARCC) will obtain facility space at Fort Jackson to relocate its Birmingham Contracting Office.

6. Movement Plan.

a. <u>ACA Headquarters</u> (BRAC POC: LTC(P) Jack Cunnane, 703-681-1050). ACA Headquarters will relocate from leased facilities in Falls Church, VA to

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Fort Sam Houston, TX. The exact number of positions relocating with the organization is still fluctuating based on reorganization plans to transition Executive Agency responsibilities out of the Agency. The current personnel planning estimate based on the FY06 TDA is 37 positions will relocate to Fort Sam Houston after Executive Agency functions/positions are transitioned from the organization. ACSIM movement timelines estimate the ACA Headquarters relocating to Fort Sam Houston in April 2010. This date was confirmed by Fort Sam Houston BRAC planners, however, they cannot forecast an earliest availability date for facilities without approved funding. ACA HQ is tentatively projected to occupy building 2000 on Fort Sam Houston which requires significant renovation. This location could change based on ACSIM's desire to locate all headquarters and administrative service organizations in a single area.

- b. Northern Region Headquarters (BRAC POC: Bruce Cogossi, 757-788-4681). The Northern Region Headquarters will relocate in its entirety to Fort Eustis. Northern Region estimates 45 positions, including contractors, relocating with the organization. The delta between the number of positions relocating and the organization's FY06 TDA strength of 51 is attributed to positions with duty at alternate locations. ACSIM movement timelines estimate the Northern Region Headquarters relocating to Fort Eustis in July 2011. Facility space at Fort Eustis has not yet been identified.
- (1) <u>Army Reserve Contracting Center (ARCC)</u> (BRAC POC: Marv Kastberg, 609-652-4252). Within the Reserve Component, BRAC directs the consolidation of Regional Readiness Centers (RRC) from ten organizations to four. The consolidated RRCs will be located at Fort Dix, NJ; Fort McCoy, WI; Fort Jackson, AL; and Moffitt Field, CA. This consolidation and relocation is scheduled to occur starting in 2007. To support this consolidation, the ARCC will close the Los Alamitos, CA Office and relocate the Birmingham, AL Office to Fort Jackson, SC. The ARCC intends to close the Los Alamitos Office primarily through attrition and transition the workload to the Camp Parks, CA Office. Transition of positions and workload are subject to immediate consideration. The Birmingham Office relocation to Fort Jackson will be coordinated with the consolidation and establishment of the Fort Jackson based RCC.
- c. <u>Southern Region Headquarters</u> (BRAC POC: Howard Wong, 404-464-1779). The Southern Region Headquarters will move in its entirety to Fort Sam Houston. Southern Region has identified 47 positions for relocation based on its FY06 TDA. ACSIM movement timelines estimate the Southern Region Headquarters relocating to Fort Sam Houston in July 2011. Facility space at Fort Sam Houston has not yet been identified.

- (1) <u>Southern Region Contracting Center East (SRCC-E)</u> (BRAC POC: Howard Wong, 404-464-1779). The SRCC-E is not directed by BRAC directive to relocate. However, because Fort McPherson is closing, SRCC-E's movement is classified as a BRAC discretionary move. An AR 5-10 Stationing Request/Discretionary Move Plan was submitted to the Army G3 on October 7, 2005. If approved, the SRCC-E will split its operations to align with the locations of its principal customers with 43 positions relocating to Fort Sam Houston, TX and 26 positions relocating to Fort Bragg, NC. ACSIM has not identified a movement timeline for SRCC-E but movement is anticipated to coincide with transition of both Southern Region and FORSCOM Headquarters in July 2011. Facilities have not yet been identified at Fort Sam Houston or Fort Bragg.
- d. Information Technology and Electronic Commerce Commercial Contracting Center (ITEC4) (BRAC POC: Bob Crutchley, 703-325-9761). ITEC4's Alexandria, VA based organizational elements are currently directed to relocate from leased facilities in the Hoffman building to Fort Sam Houston, TX. However, an AR 5-10 Stationing Request /Discretionary Move Plan was submitted to the Army G3 on October 7, 2005 requesting the majority of the organization relocate to Fort Belvoir. If approved, 7 positions will relocate to Fort Sam Houston and 123 positions, including contractors, will relocate to Fort Belvoir. ACSIM movement timelines currently estimate ITEC4 will relocate to Fort Sam Houston in April 2010. Facilities have not been identified at Fort Sam Houston or Fort Belvoir.
- e. <u>U.S. Army Contracting Command Southwest Asia (USACC-SWA)</u> (BRAC POC: MAJ Charles Langston, 404-464-4827). USACC-SWA is not directed by BRAC directive to relocate. However, because Fort McPherson is closing, USACC-SWA's movement is classified as a BRAC discretionary move. An AR 5-10 Stationing Request/Discretionary Move Plan was submitted to the Army G3 on October 7, 2005. If approved, USACC-SWA will relocate 42 positions, based on its future force design MTOE, including contractors and attached soldiers, to Shaw Air Force Base, SC. ACSIM has not identified a movement timeline for USACC-SWA but movement is anticipated to coincide with transition of 3rd U.S. Army Headquarters in October 2010. USACC-SWA's movement is being coordinated and integrated with the 3rd U.S. Army Headquarters' movement plan and its facilities requirements are being incorporated in 3rd U.S. Army Headquarters' building design plan.

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